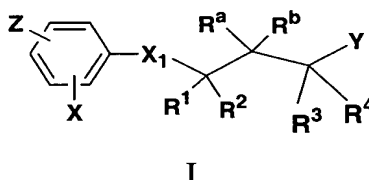


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula



wherein X_1 is O, $S(O)_n$, $-\overset{\overset{R^5}{|}}{N}-$, $CO-\overset{\overset{R^5}{|}}{N}-$, or $-CH_2-$, with the proviso that when X_1 is $-CH_2-$, $[[R_1]] \underline{R}^1$ and $[[R_2]] \underline{R}^2$ are only halogen[.];

n is 0, 1 or 2;

R^a and R^b when taken together form an oxo ($=O$) group, or R^a and R^b are each independently hydrogen, OH, $OCOR^9$, NH_2 , N_3 , $NHCOOR^9$, $NHCOCOR^9$, $NHSO_2R^9$ or F;

X is H, CF_3 , OCF_3 , halogen, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, $C(O)NR^6R^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH, $S(O)_nR^9$, NR^6R^7 , $NH(CO)NR^6R^7$, $NH(CO)OR^9$, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , $OCOR^9$, PO_3R^8 , $C(O)NR^6R^7$ or and heterocyclic;

R^1 and R^2 are each independently H, halogen, OR^9 , C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl, ~~C_2-C_7 alkynyl~~ alkenyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl ~~or~~ and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, $C(O)NR^6R^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH, $S(O)_nR^9$, NR^6R^7 , $NH(CO)NR^6R^7$, $NH(CO)OR^9$, $OC(O)OR^9$, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl being optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , $OCOR^9$, PO_3R^8 , $C(O)NR^6R^7$ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

R^3 , R^4 and Y are each independently H, halogen, OR^{10} , $S(O)_nR^{10}$, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl ~~or~~ and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, $C(O)NR^6R^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH, $S(O)_nR^9$, NR^6R^7 , $NH(CO)NR^6R^7$, $NH(CO)OR^9$, $OC(O)OR^9$, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , $OCOR^8$, PO_3R^8 , $C(O)NR^6R^7$ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic, with the proviso that not all of R^3 , R^4 and Y may be the same halogen;

R^5 , R^6 and R^7 are each independently H, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl ~~or~~ and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, OR^8 , NR^8R^9 , SO_3R^8 , PO_3R^8 , halogen, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , PO_3R^8 ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

R^8 is H, C_1-C_7 saturated straight chain alkyl or cycloalkyl;

R^9 is ~~same as R^8 but is not hydrogen~~ C_1-C_7 saturated straight chain alkyl or cycloalkyl;

R^{10} is C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl, aryl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN , $C(O)NR^6R^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH , $S(O)_nR^9$, NR^6R^7 , $NH(CO)NR^6R^7$, $NH(CO)OR^9$, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , $OCOR^8$, PO_3R^8 , $C(O)NR^6R^7$ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

Z is OR^{11} , $S(O)_nR^{11}$, $NR^{11}R^{12}$ or $CHR^{11}R^{12}$;

~~R^{11} and R^{12} are each independently hydrogen, is~~ C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $NR^{13}R^{14}$, $S(O)_nR^{13}$, or OR^{13} , ~~with the proviso that both R^{11} and R^{12} may not be hydrogen;~~

R^{12} is hydrogen, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $NR^{13}R^{14}$, $S(O)_nR^{13}$, or OR^{13} ;

~~R^{13} and R^{14} are each independently H, is~~ $SiR^{15}R^{16}R^{17}$, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl, aryl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by one to three groups independently selected from $COOR^8$, OR^8 , $SiR^{15}R^{16}R^{17}$, OR^{15} , aryl, biaryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl, said aryl, biaryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl being optionally substituted with one to three groups independently selected from halogen, CF_3 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, NO_2 , ~~or~~ and CN ;

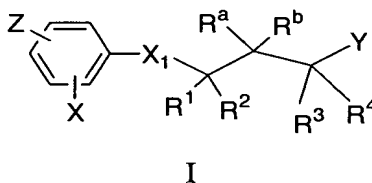
R^{14} is H, $SiR^{15}R^{16}R^{17}$, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl, aryl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally

substituted by one to three groups independently selected from COOR⁸, OR⁸, SiR¹⁵R¹⁶R¹⁷, OR¹⁵, aryl, biaryl and heteroaryl, said aryl, biaryl and heteroaryl being optionally substituted with one to three groups independently selected from halogen, CF₃, OR⁸, COOR⁸, NO₂, and CN; or

R¹³ and R¹⁴ when taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached may form a 5 –7 membered heterocyclic ring with one or more heteroatoms selected from O, N and S; said ring being optionally substituted by OR⁸, COOR⁸, or C(O)NR⁵R⁶; and

R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷ are each independently C₁-C₇ alkyl, aryl, benzyl, benzhydryl, biaryl, heteroaryl, (C₁-C₆) alkyl-aryl or (C₁-C₆) alkyl-heteroaryl, said aryl, benzyl, benzhydryl, and biaryl ~~radical~~ being optionally substituted by halogen, CF₃, OR⁸, COOR⁸, NO₂, CN, or C₁-C₇ alkyl.

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein

X₁ is O, S(O)_n, $\text{—}\overset{\text{R}^5}{\text{N}}\text{—}$, $\text{CO—}\overset{\text{R}^5}{\text{N}}\text{—}$ or -CH₂-, with the proviso that when X₁ is -CH₂-, [[R₁]] R¹ and [[R₂]] R² are only halogen[.];

n is 0, 1 or 2;

R^a and R^b when taken together form an oxo (=O) group, or R^a and R^b are each independently hydrogen, OH, OCOR⁹, NH₂, N₃, NHCOOR⁹, NHCOCOR⁹,

NHSO₂R⁹ or F[.];

X is H, CF₃, OCF₃, halogen, C₁–C₇ alkyl, C₂–C₇ alkenyl, C₂–C₇ alkynyl or C₃–C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by COOR⁸, CN, C(O)NR⁶R⁷, PO₃R⁸, SO₃R⁸, heterocyclic, OR⁸, SH, S(O)_nR⁹, NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)OR⁹, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR⁶R⁷, OR⁸, COOR⁸, SO₃R⁸, OCOR⁹, PO₃R⁸, C(O)NR⁶R⁷ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

R¹ and R² are each independently H, halogen, OR⁹, C₁–C₇ alkyl, C₂–C₇ ~~alkenyl~~ alkynyl, C₂–C₇ alkenyl or C₃–C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl ~~or~~ and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by COOR⁸, CN, C(O)NR⁶R⁷, PO₃R⁸, SO₃R⁸, heterocyclic, OR⁸, SH, S(O)_nR⁹, NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)OR⁹, OC(O)OR⁹, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl being optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from NR⁶R⁷, OR⁸, COOR⁸, SO₃R⁸, OCOR⁹, PO₃R⁸, C(O)NR⁶R⁷ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

R³, R⁴ and Y are each independently H, OR¹⁰, S(O)_nR¹⁰, C₁–C₇ alkyl, C₂–C₇ alkenyl, C₂–C₇ alkynyl or C₃–C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl ~~or~~ and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by COOR⁸, CN, C(O)NR⁶R⁷, PO₃R⁸, SO₃R⁸, heterocyclic, OR⁸, SH, S(O)_nR⁹, NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)OR⁹, OC(O)OR⁹, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR⁶R⁷, OR⁸, COOR⁸, SO₃R⁸, OCOR⁸, PO₃R⁸, C(O)NR⁶R⁷ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

R⁵, R⁶ and R⁷ are each independently H, C₁–C₇ alkyl, C₂–C₇ alkenyl, C₂–C₇

alkynyl or C₃–C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl ~~or~~ and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by COOR⁸, CN, OR⁸, NR⁸R⁹, SO₃R⁸, PO₃R⁸, halogen, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from COOR⁸, SO₃R⁸, PO₃R⁸ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

R⁸ is H, C₁–C₇ saturated straight chain alkyl or cycloalkyl, CF₃ or CH₂CF₃;

R⁹ is ~~same as R⁸ but is not hydrogen~~ C₁–C₇ saturated straight chain alkyl or cycloalkyl;

R¹⁰ is C₁–C₇ alkyl, C₂–C₇ alkenyl, C₂–C₇ alkynyl, aryl or C₃–C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by COOR⁸, CN, C(O)NR⁶R⁷, PO₃R⁸, SO₃R⁸, heterocyclic, OR⁸, SH, S(O)_nR⁹, NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)OR⁹, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR⁶R⁷, OR⁸, COOR⁸, SO₃R⁸, OCOR⁸, PO₃R⁸, C(O)NR⁶R⁷ ~~or~~ and heterocyclic;

Z is OR¹¹, S(O)_nR¹¹, NR¹¹R¹² or CHR¹¹R¹²;

~~R¹¹ and R¹² are each independently hydrogen,~~ is C₁–C₇ alkyl, C₂–C₇ alkenyl, C₂–C₇ alkynyl or C₃–C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or cycloalkyl group being ~~optionally~~ substituted by NR¹³R¹⁴, S(O)_nR¹³, or OR¹³, ~~with the proviso that both R¹¹ and R¹² may not be hydrogen~~;

R¹² is hydrogen, C₁–C₇ alkyl, C₂–C₇ alkenyl, C₂–C₇ alkynyl or C₃–C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by NR¹³R¹⁴, S(O)_nR¹³ or OR¹³;

~~R¹³ and R¹⁴ are each independently H, SiR¹⁵R¹⁶R¹⁷, C₁-C₇ alkyl, C₂-C₇ alkenyl, C₂-C₇ alkynyl, aryl or C₃-C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by one to three groups independently selected from COOR⁸, OR⁸, Si R¹⁵R¹⁶R¹⁷, OR¹⁵, aryl, biaryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl, said aryl, biaryl ~~or~~ and heteroaryl being optionally substituted with one to three groups independently selected from halogen, CF₃, OR⁸, COOR⁸, NO₂, ~~or~~ and CN;~~

R¹⁴ is H, SiR¹⁵R¹⁶R¹⁷, C₁-C₇ alkyl, C₂-C₇ alkenyl, C₂-C₇ alkynyl, aryl or C₃-C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by one to three groups independently selected from COOR⁸, OR⁸, Si R¹⁵R¹⁶R¹⁷, OR¹⁵, aryl, biaryl and heteroaryl, said aryl, biaryl and heteroaryl being optionally substituted with one to three groups independently selected from halogen, CF₃, OR⁸, COOR⁸, NO₂, and CN; or

R¹³ and R¹⁴ when taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached may form a 5 – 7 membered heterocyclic ring with one or more heteroatoms selected from O, N and S; said ring being optionally substituted by OR⁸, COOR⁸, or C(O)NR⁵R⁶; and

R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷ are each independently C₁-C₇ alkyl, aryl, benzyl, benzhydryl, biaryl, heteroaryl, (C₁-C₆) alkyl-aryl or (C₁-C₆) alkyl-heteroaryl, said aryl, benzyl, benzhydryl, and biaryl ~~radical~~ being optionally substituted by halogen, CF₃, OR⁸, COOR⁸, NO₂, CN, or C₁-C₇ alkyl.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) A compound of claim 2 wherein X₁ is O[[,]] or S(O)_n and Y is OR¹⁰ in which R¹⁰ is C₁-C₇ alkyl, C₂-C₇ alkenyl, C₂-C₇ alkynyl, aryl or C₃-C₇ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by COOR⁸, CN, C(O)NR⁶R⁷, PO₃R⁸, SO₃R⁸, heterocyclic,

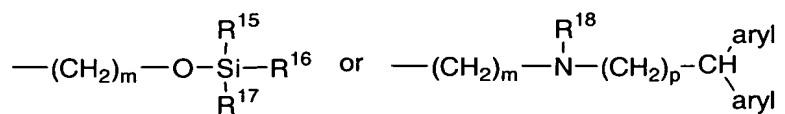
OR⁸, SH, S(O)_nR⁹, NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)NR⁶R⁷, NH(CO)OR⁹, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR⁶R⁷, OR⁸, COOR⁸, SO₃R⁸, OCOR⁹, PO₃R⁸, C(O)NR⁶R⁷ or heterocyclic, said R⁶, R⁷, R⁸ and R⁹ substituents being defined as in claim 2.

Claim 4. (Original) A compound of claim 3 in which R^a and R^b taken together represent an oxo (=O) group, or R^a and R^b are each independently hydrogen or OH.

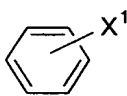
Claims 5-6. (Canceled).

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) A compound of claim 3, ~~4, 5 or 6~~ in which

Z is



in which m and p each independently represent an integer of one to six, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷ are each independently C₁–C₇ alkyl or phenyl, R¹⁸ is C₁–C₇ alkyl and aryl

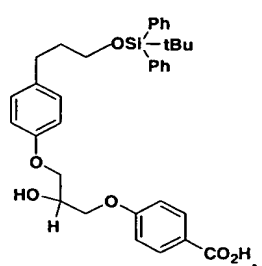
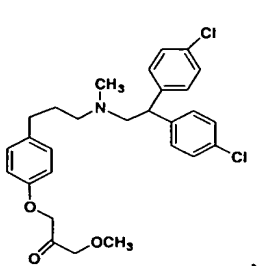
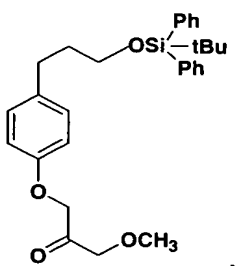
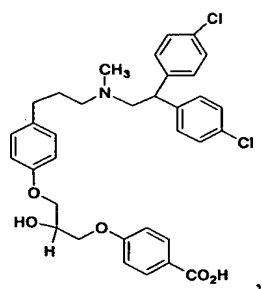
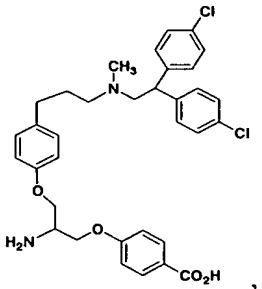
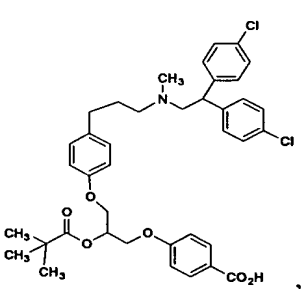
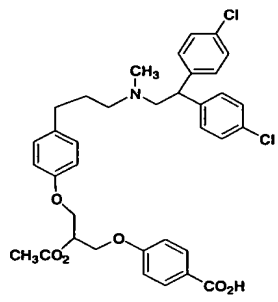
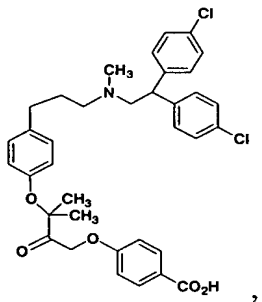
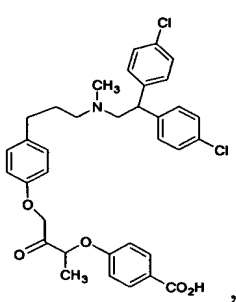
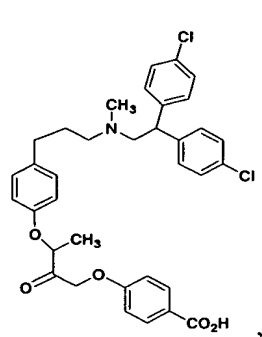
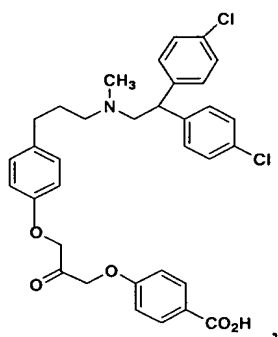
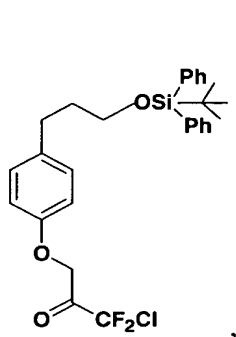
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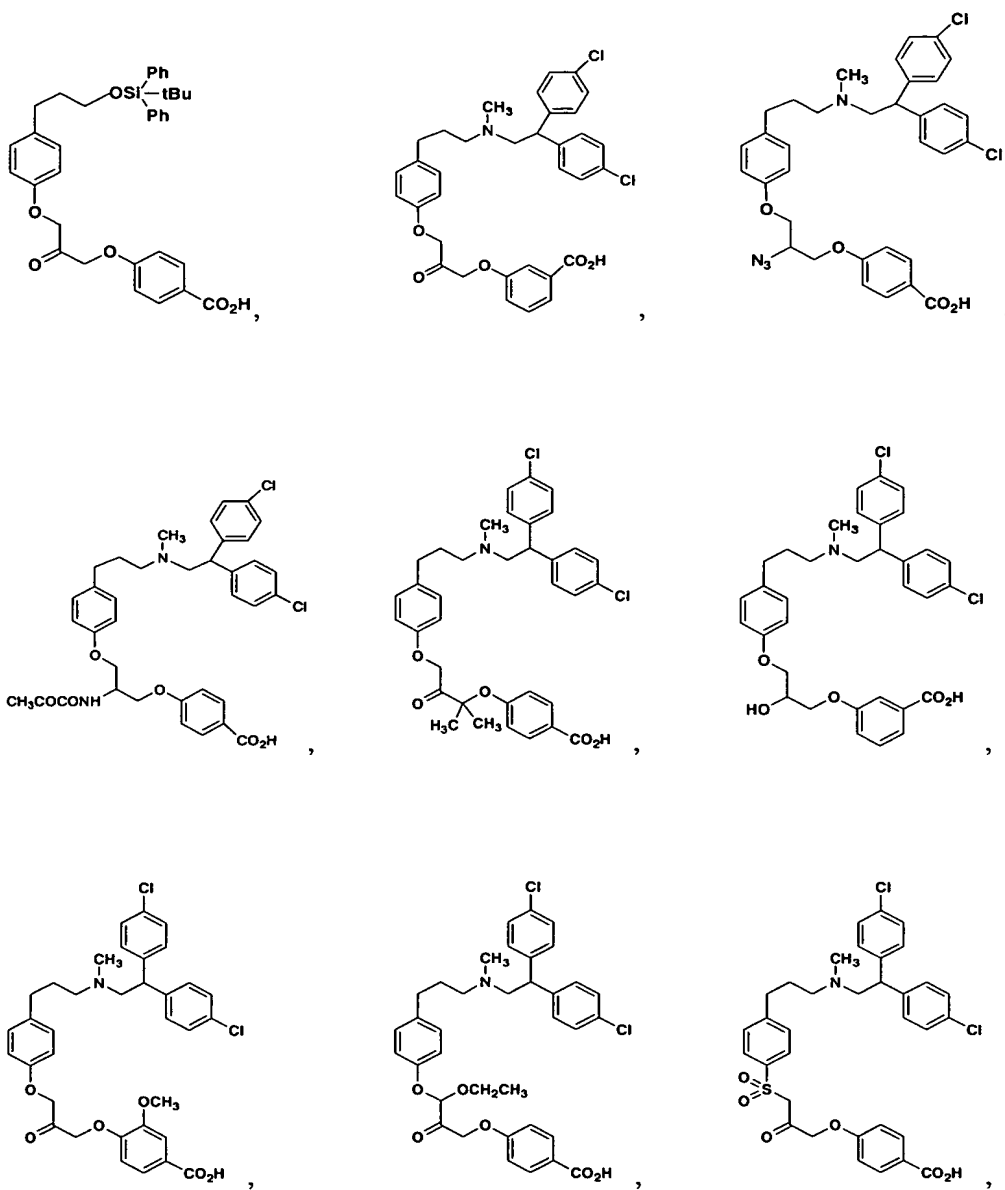
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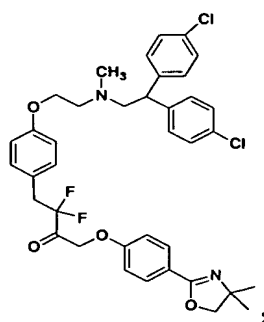
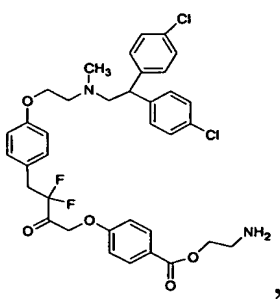
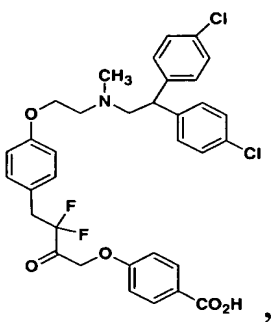
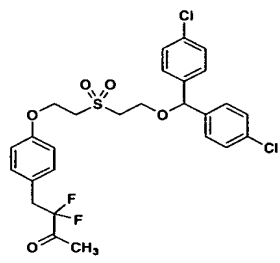
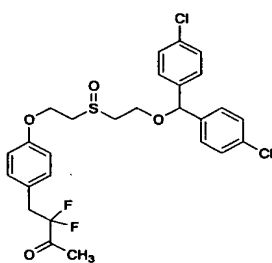
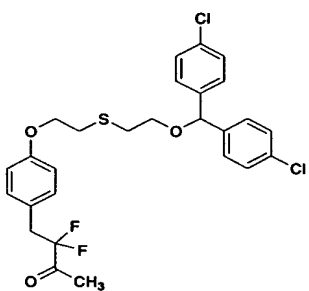
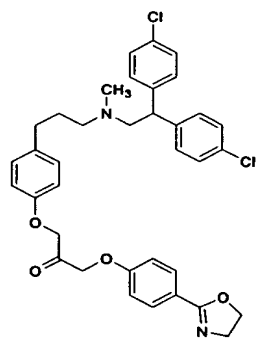
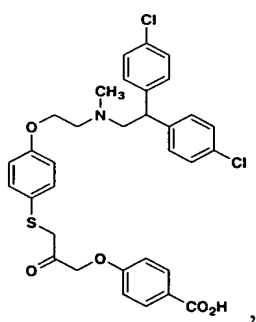
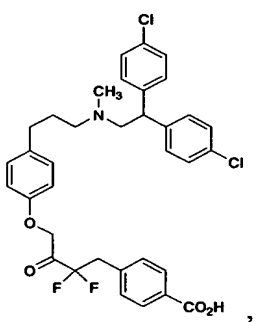
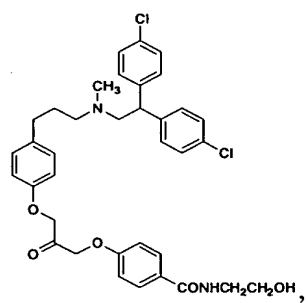
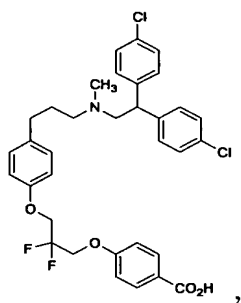
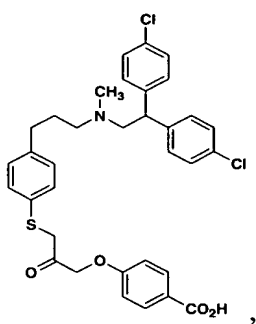
Claim 9. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition for the inhibition of cytosolic phospholipase A₂ comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

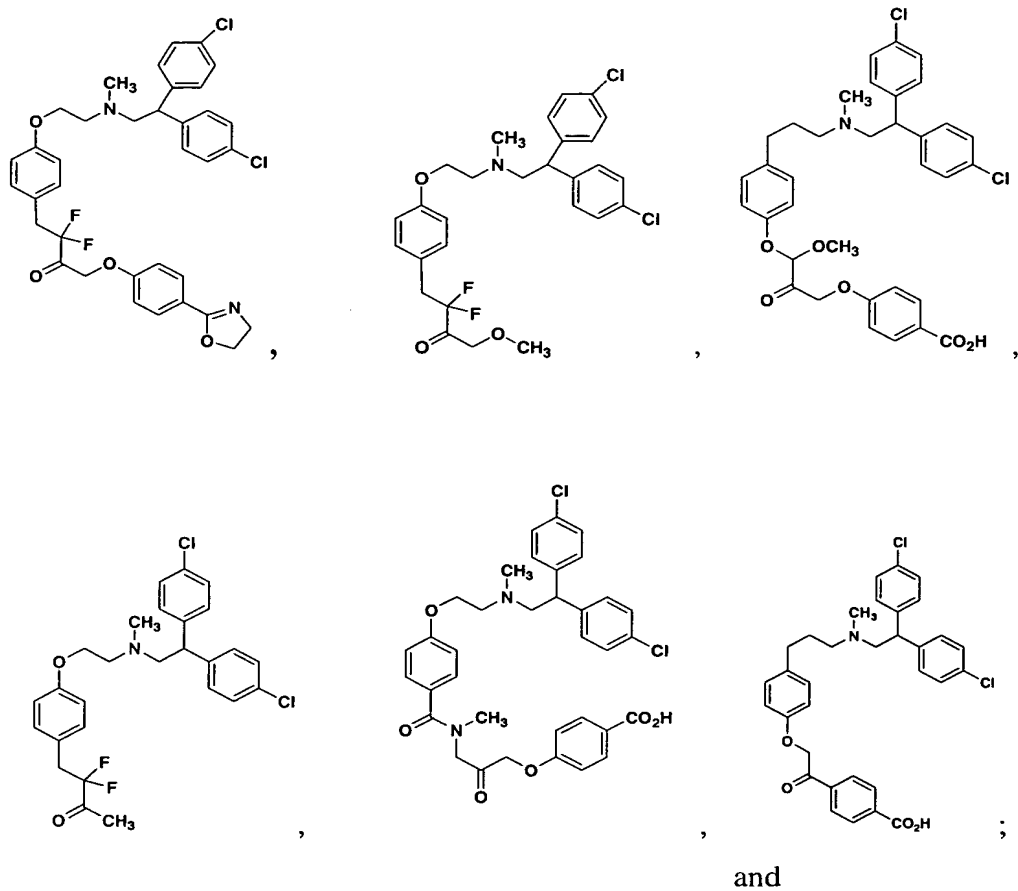
Claim 10. (Withdrawn) A method of inhibiting cytosolic phospholipase A₂ in a mammal in need thereof, comprising administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1.

Claim 11. (New) A compound selected from



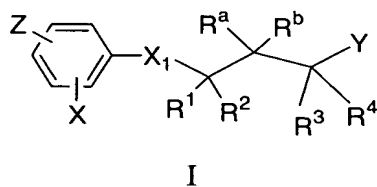






or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 12. (New) A compound of the formula



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein

X_1 is O, $S(O)_n$, $\text{CO}-\overset{\text{R}^5}{\underset{|}{\text{N}}}-$, or $-\text{CH}_2-$, with the proviso that when X_1 is $-\text{CH}_2-$, R^1 and R^2 are only halogen;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

R^a and R^b when taken together form an oxo ($=\text{O}$) group, or R^a and R^b are each independently hydrogen, OH, OCOR^9 , NH_2 , N_3 , NHCOCOR^9 , or F;

X is H;

R^1 and R^2 are each independently H, halogen, OR^9 , or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl;

R^3 , R^4 and Y are each independently H, halogen, OR^{10} , or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl, said alkyl being optionally substituted by aryl, said aryl being optionally substituted by one or two COOR^8 groups, with the proviso that not all of R^3 , R^4 and Y may be the same halogen;

R^5 , R^6 , and R^7 are each independently hydrogen or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl, said alkyl being optionally substituted by OR^8 ;

R^8 is H or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ saturated straight chain alkyl;

R^9 is $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ saturated straight chain alkyl;

R^{10} is $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl or aryl, said alkyl or aryl group being optionally substituted by COOR^8 , $\text{C(O)NR}^6\text{R}^7$, heterocyclic, or OR^8 ;

Z is OR^{11} or $\text{CHR}^{11}\text{R}^{12}$;

R^{11} is $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl substituted by $\text{NR}^{13}\text{R}^{14}$, $\text{S(O)}_n\text{R}^{13}$, or OR^{13} ;

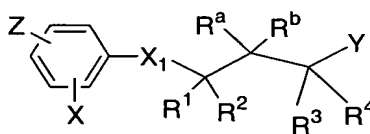
R^{12} is hydrogen;

R^{13} is $\text{SiR}^{15}\text{R}^{16}\text{R}^{17}$ or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl, said alkyl substituted by one to three groups independently selected from OR^{15} and aryl, said aryl substituted with one halogen;

R^{14} is $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl; and

R^{15} , R^{16} , and R^{17} are each independently $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl, aryl, or benzhydryl, said aryl and benzhydryl being optionally substituted by halogen.

Claim 13. (New) A compound of the formula



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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein

X_1 is O, S(O)_n , or $-\text{CH}_2-$, with the proviso that when X_1 is $-\text{CH}_2-$, R^1 and R^2 are only halogen;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

R^a and R^b are each independently hydrogen, OH, OCOR^9 , NH_2 , N_3 , NHCOOR^9 , NHCOCOR^9 , or F;

X is H, CF_3 , OCF_3 , halogen, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_7$ alkyl, $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_7$ alkenyl, $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_7$ alkynyl or $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_7$ cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by COOR^8 , CN, $\text{C(O)NR}^6\text{R}^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH, $\text{S(O)}_n\text{R}^9$, NR^6R^7 , $\text{NH(CO)NR}^6\text{R}^7$, NH(CO)OR^9 , aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , COOR^8 , SO_3R^8 , OCOR^9 , PO_3R^8 , $\text{C(O)NR}^6\text{R}^7$ and heterocyclic;

R^1 and R^2 are each independently H, halogen, OR^9 , C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, $C(O)NR^6R^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH, $S(O)_nR^9$, NR^6R^7 , $NH(CO)NR^6R^7$, $NH(CO)OR^9$, $OC(O)OR^9$, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl and heteroaryl being optionally substituted with one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , $OCOR^9$, PO_3R^8 , $C(O)NR^6R^7$ and heterocyclic;

R^3 and R^4 are each independently H, halogen, OR^{10} , $S(O)_nR^{10}$, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, $C(O)NR^6R^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH, $S(O)_nR^9$, NR^6R^7 , $NH(CO)NR^6R^7$, $NH(CO)OR^9$, $OC(O)OR^9$, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl and heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , $OCOR^8$, PO_3R^8 , $C(O)NR^6R^7$ and heterocyclic, with the proviso that not all of R^3 , R^4 and Y may be the same halogen;

Y is OR^{10} or $S(O)_nR^{10}$;

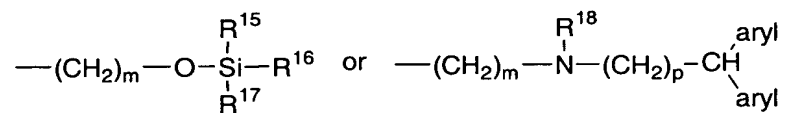
R^5 , R^6 and R^7 are each independently H, C_1-C_7 alkyl, C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl or C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl and cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, OR^8 , NR^8R^9 , SO_3R^8 , PO_3R^8 , halogen, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , PO_3R^8 and heterocyclic;

R^8 is H, C_1-C_7 saturated straight chain alkyl or cycloalkyl;

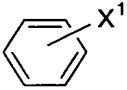
R^9 is C_1 – C_7 saturated straight chain alkyl or cycloalkyl;

R^{10} is C_1 – C_7 alkyl, C_2 – C_7 alkenyl, C_2 – C_7 alkynyl, aryl or C_3 – C_7 cycloalkyl, said alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl or cycloalkyl group being optionally substituted by $COOR^8$, CN, $C(O)NR^6R^7$, PO_3R^8 , SO_3R^8 , heterocyclic, OR^8 , SH, $S(O)_nR^9$, NR^6R^7 , $NH(CO)NR^6R^7$, $NH(CO)OR^9$, aryl or heteroaryl, said aryl or heteroaryl being optionally substituted by one or two groups independently selected from NR^6R^7 , OR^8 , $COOR^8$, SO_3R^8 , $OCOR^8$, PO_3R^8 , $C(O)NR^6R^7$ or heterocyclic; and

Z is



in which m and p each independently represent an integer of one to six, R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{17} are each independently C_1 – C_7 alkyl or phenyl, R^{18} is C_1 – C_7 alkyl and aryl

represents  in which X^1 is halogen.